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Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Held For New Community Estates

On Thursday, May 8, 1986 a ribbon cutting ceremony was held for New Community Estates Townhouses. New Community Estates is a 56 unit condominium, townhouse development to be located within the two blocks bound by Fairmount Avenue and Bergen Street and Fourteenth and Fifteenth Avenues in the Central Ward of Newark. The development is New Community Corporation's first venture in affordable owner-occupied housing. The ceremony took place on the corner of Fourteenth Avenue and Camden Street where the first four model units now stand.

The crowd was welcomed by Arthur L. Wilson, President of New Community Corporation, who opened the ceremony with a prayer. Among those who addressed the gathering were the Honorable Leonard S. Coleman, Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Newark's mayor the Honorable Kenneth A. Gibson and the Honorable George Branch, Councilman, Central Ward.

Councilman Branch greeted those present expressing support for the New Community Estates project and

his pride in the accomplishments of New Community Corporation. He stated "New Community Corporation has been commended and will continue to be commended as a major contributor to the rental housing stock not only in the Central Ward of Newark but in the City of Newark and the State of New Jersey as a whole." He went on to add, "I am confident that this organization will be as successful in its quest to provide affordable home ownership opportunities, to those who desire it."

Commissioner Coleman, in his remarks to the gathering described the project as "a jet taking off" which drew some laughter from the crowd in that, Ms. Mary Smith's introduction of him was briefly interrupted by the sound of a jet plane flying overhead. Commissioner Coleman went on to add that "there is no question that the State of New Jersey, over the past 5 years and under the leadership of Governor Thomas Kean is experiencing a renaissance, stating that "unemployment and inflation are down and the State Treasury is sound." He further went on to note however, "that if this renaissance is



With a snip of the scissors, it's official! Left to right are NCC President Arthur Wilson, Commissioner Leonard S. Coleman Jr., Councilman George Branch, Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson, and NCC Treasurer Mary Smith.

really going to take hold and impact all the people, it must also touch those living in our urban areas." The Commissioner took time to reaffirm the commitment of both Governor Kean and the DCA to affordable housing in the State stating that, "what we see here today is an effort between the state, the City of Newark thru Mayor Gibson and a non-profit group, New Community Corpora-

tion," going on to say that "whatever is done in government would not be successful if it were not for the participation of organizations such as NCC and local governing bodies," and that he looks forward to coming back in several months and seeing the project complete and occupied.

Ms. Smith, Treasurer of New Community Corporation, in a brief state-

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People In Government

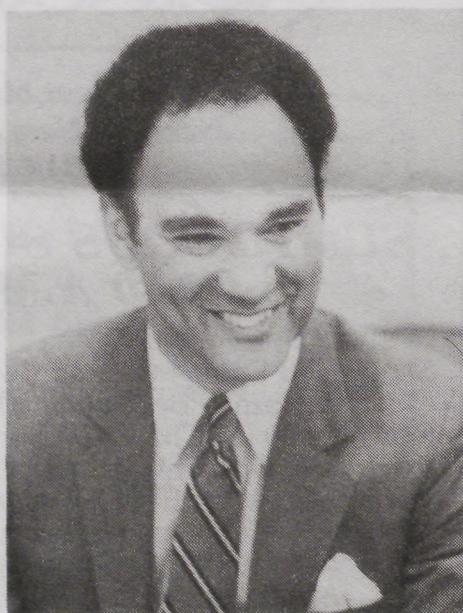
Leonard S. Coleman, Jr.

Commissioner Of Community Affairs

Commissioner Leonard S. Coleman, Jr. served as Energy Commissioner during Governor Kean's first term and while still in that office was selected by the Governor to direct the Community Affairs Department. His nomination was confirmed on January 27, 1986.

He also brought to the post service as president of the Greater Newark Urban Coalition, and four years work in Africa as missionary for the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States. He provided management consultant services to 17 African countries in the areas of health care, education and church and community development.

While in Montclair High School, Mr. Coleman was an All-America football player and in 1967 he received the Newark Boys Club Award as the outstanding scholar athlete in New Jersey. He then went on to Princeton to receive a Master of Public Administration degree from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.



Leonard S. Coleman, Jr.

He earned a Master of Education and Social Policy degree from the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

The Commissioner has engaged in

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It's Now Monsignor!

In a formal ceremony at Sacred Heart Cathedral, on Wednesday, May 21st, the Most Reverend Peter J. Gerety, D.D. Archbishop of Newark conferred upon Reverend William J. Linder the Papal Honor of **Prelate of Honor of His Holiness** which carries with it the official title of Reverend Monsignor. It is awarded for outstanding services to the church and to the community.

The cathedral was filled to overflowing as he and brother priests and many laymen and women received Papal Honors also in the solemn but joyful ceremony. Among the laity receiving Papal awards was Dr. Leon G. Smith (See Clarion, May 1986), who became a Knight of St. Gregory the Great.

Family and friends were there to share the moment and congratulate those receiving honors. We are all very proud and happy for Msgr.

Linder. Our congratulations also to Dr. Smith for the honor given him.



Rev. Monsignor Wm. J. Linder

Insurance Changes Are In Order

New Community Housing Projects received a notice of an average premium increase of 231%. This notice of increase was received on May 1, the day the new rate took effect. With the increase was the statement that the new premium was to be paid in full within thirty days or the insurance coverage would be lost.

"Consumer Advocates have been very critical of present insurance industry practices," said Father Linder, "but when it hits home it has much more meaning." The seven housing projects notified all serve limited income people, and Father Linder stated, "this will directly affect the service provided." Presently, the legal profession and the insurance industry are locked in battle over what corrective measures should be undertaken. The consumer is the least represented.

There are two plans presently in the state legislature dealing with the crisis of liability insurance, one sponsored by the Democrats and another by the Republicans. The Democratic plan would not impose limits on the size of awards but would impose tougher regulations on insurance companies. The Republican plan would impose limits on liability

awards. Both plans should be implemented according to the Board of New Community. When insurance becomes the determining force as to **who** can be helped, **when** they can be helped and **how** they can be helped, it is time for a major change. "There is no experience record to justify this increase," stated Arthur Wilson, President of New Community. The insurance industry is arrogant, for it says accept our rates or else you will not have insurance, and the marketplace is no longer able to control cost and protect the consumer.

The program recommended by New Community would set limits on liability awards. It would also more tightly regulate the insurance industry, especially requiring justification for rate increases. If the Republican and Democratic plan were combined, the consumer would benefit. New Community would also call for the establishment of a public reinsuring agency which would be available to all agencies providing services for the public welfare. The establishment of this fund for the cities by the Federal Government after the summer disorders proved to be of great help to the urban residents and also a great financial success.

Come Dine With Us!

The dining facilities at St. Joseph Plaza are completed and in full operation. The Priory Restaurant, Sandwich Shop, and Catering facilities offer something for everyone.

The restaurant is open for lunch and dinner Monday through Friday, and Sunday for the grand Sunday Brunch. The menu is a feast of appetizers, salads, and main courses that will tempt you beyond resistance. The wine list includes the finest from France, Italy and close to home Americans. A delicious array of cool summertime house specialty drinks are mixed at the bar as well as any of your favorite cocktails.

The Sandwich Shop is swinging into summer with new daily specials. Monday's special is Steak & Cheese Sandwich; Tuesday, Chili and Rice; Wednesday, Roast Pork Sandwich;

Thursday, Chicken Breast Sandwich; Friday, Fried Shrimp with French Fries. Burgers, overstuffed deli sandwiches and cool salad platters are made fresh every day. Cold beer, wine, soft drinks, summertime lemonade, and iced tea are served to cool your day.

Thursday and Friday evenings the Atrium becomes an entertainment center with live jazz on Thursday and piano and vocals on Friday. Cocktails and summer house specialty drinks are served with a complimentary light buffet.

The Priory Restaurant, Atrium, and Executive Conference Room are available for catered events. Menus are unlimited and custom made. There is something for everyone at St. Joseph Plaza so join us for some summer fun.

Rich Rohrman



The Priory Restaurant provides a peaceful and elegant oasis for lunch and dinner in the heart of Newark's Central Ward. The restaurant in St. Joseph Plaza, with its muted colors and lovely stained glass windows lending atmosphere, has proven to be a very popular meeting place for people in the area for both social and business gatherings.

Arthritis Seminar Held



Dr. L. Ambrose, an orthopedic surgeon from University Hospital, speaks on arthritis at a medical seminar held for Medical Day Care participants and Extended Care Facility residents.

THE NEW COMMUNITY CLARION

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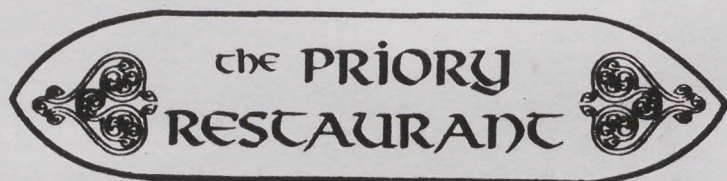
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Babyland Contributes To United Way

Babyland employees are applauded for contributing \$2,907.00 to United Way of Essex and West Hudson during this year's campaign. You, the employees, are responsible for Babyland, a United Way recipient, receiving the Silver Award this year. We are grateful for your generosity and commitment to such a worthy cause.

Mary Smith
Executive Director



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SUMPTUOUS SUNDAY BRUNCH 9:30 A.M. - 3 P.M.

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Ham • Beef and/or Pork Sausage • Bacon
Southern Fried Chicken • Shrimp Scampi • Fettucini Alfredo
Hash Browns • Rice, Grits • French Toast
Corn Muffins • Buttermilk Biscuits • Rolls
Apricot Nut Bread • Banana Bread • Fresh Fruit Bar
Champagne • Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea, Milk
Apple Juice • Orange Juice • Grapefruit Juice

All You Can Eat!

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Ribbon Cutting Ceremony...

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ment during her introduction of Mayor Gibson reminisced on the initial goals of New Community Corporation, which was formed back in the mid 1960's after the riots which scarred that decade in Newark's history, saying "back in the early 60's we made a commitment to build a city within a city, which would have all the amenities necessary to make a viable community" prime among them **affordable housing**. Mary went on to state that "this task was not easy in that many state and local government bodies and employees thereof had to be dealt with, and it's not that people don't care, you're just not their priority." She went on to tell the audience that "it takes people in power to help cut the red tape and Governor Kean and Mayor Gibson

services at Babyland Nursery, a new extended care facility for the elderly, public health care services at the NC Health Care Center operating in conjunction with United Hospitals, housing for senior citizens, rental housing for families, plans for a neighborhood shopping center and now a move to affordable owner-occupied housing. The Mayor expressed great pride by stating, "everytime I have visitors to the city, I try to convince them to tour the NCC facilities, and then visit St. Joseph Plaza to show them that Newark is not just the central business district and downtown area; we also take pride in our up and coming neighborhoods."

After all speakers addressed the gathering, the ceremonial ribbon was cut. Everyone attending was taken through the three-bedroom model

townhouses, containing living space on the first floor and either two (2) or three (3) bedrooms on the second floor with either one or one and a half baths, living room, dining room and modern kitchen facilities. Each unit will be fully carpeted, and individually heated by a modern forced hot air central heating system. Central air conditioning will also be available as an option.

Anyone interested in acquiring ad-

ditional information should contact the New Community Corporation main office at 623-2800 to have their name put on the mailing list in that purchase applications are not available at this time. When available, information will be forwarded to those people on the mailing list. The viewing of the condo models will be arranged in the same manner.

Emilio Cruz



Commissioner Coleman and Mary Smith enjoy a quiet chat in the model's beautiful rose-colored living room.

were the only two elected officials who were willing to set aside their tasks and help."

The Mayor in his address praised NCC as being what he believes "the most successful Neighborhood-based organization in the Nation." Gibson, a former member of the original NCC Board of Directors expressed his pleasure in seeing NCC endeavor to meet yet another public need — affordable housing for home ownership — outlining that NCC has already concentrated on areas such as child care

which was decorated and fully furnished for the occasion. Many seemed surprised at the amount of room, comforts and closet space the units have, as noted by Ms. Vilma Concepcion, a resident of Newark for the past 25 years, who had the opportunity to visit the unit before it was furnished and found "it's a very comfortable house which appears a lot less spacious than it really is. Everything is laid out just beautifully."

The New Community Estates will be a community of two-story



Mayor Gibson addresses the large gathering.



A long and orderly line of spectators awaits their turn to tour the model home.

ANNOUNCING NCC FESTIVAL '86

Headline Activities

FRIDAY, JUNE 6th

- ★ **"CRY OF THE PEOPLE"** 2 Shows - 3:30 & 8:00
(Newton Street School) **Gen. AD. \$3.00 Child \$2.00**
- ★ **FISH FRY DINNERS** Beginning 5 pm
(180 South Orange Avenue)
- ★ **"Oldies But Goodies Music"** 5:00 - 7:30
(180 - NCC Associates)

SATURDAY, JUNE 7th

- ★ 12 Noon- **Annual N.C.C. PARADE** (14th Ave.)
- ★ 1 P.M.- **Booths Open Bruce St.** Food-Soft Drink
- ★ 1:30 P.M.- **N.C.C. Basketball Game** Newton St. Playground
- ★ 1:30 P.M.- **Sandorse The Magician** Newton St. School
- ★ 2:30 P.M. - **Dinizulu & African Dancers, Drummers and Singers** (Bruce Street)

A CHANGE OF PACE

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FRIDAY NIGHT SPECIAL
From 5:00 P.M. until 11 P.M.

SCRUMPTIOUS BUFFET

Cash Bar

Health Care Update

A resident of our Extended Care Facility who also happens to have cancer was transported to the private office of his specialty surgeon. After his examination he was asked to pay \$30.00. He borrowed the money from a friend, scheduled his next appointment within the month, and returned back to his new home.

This gentleman, a former health professional himself, is on Nursing Home Medicaid. This means he receives a personal needs allowance of only \$35.00 monthly. Now he is left with \$5.00 and potentially another doctor's bill to pay soon. His doctor is one who said he will "accept assignment" from Medicaid, Medicare, the Blues or other third party payors. When a physician accepts assignment he/she is not permitted to charge additional fees to the patient. Why, then should a \$30.00 payment have been expected?

The system in fact was designed to reimburse physicians at a reasonable rate. Is \$7.00 or \$9.00 per visit reasonable? Can the expected quality of care be delivered for this fee? If a patient has confidence in a certain physician and the care he/she delivers, can he only be a patient of that doctor if he is able to acquire money to pay an amount greater than what a third party would reimburse? In practical terms what does "accepting assignment" really mean to the consumer?

A Physician operates in a free market. He/she can charge the consumer whatever he chooses to,

whether, it's \$5.00 per visit or \$500.00. He/she is not supposed to charge me \$5.00 per visit and you \$500.00, however the charge to both of us might be \$500.00 and a substantial discount may be offered. However, if you and your physician agree that he/she will accept assignment (whatever the third party says), that doctor is then obligated to accept the insurance money as payment in full and is not permitted to charge you additional monies.

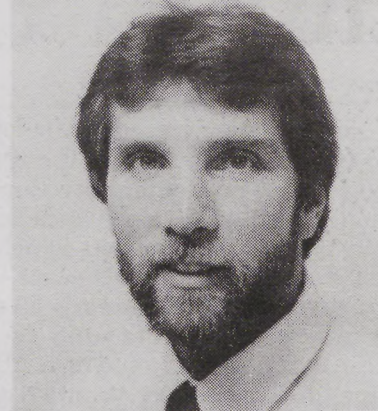
There are exceptions, which include meeting the deductible required for Medicare and some forms of commercial insurance. Also some insurances now require a co-payment at the time of a visit. This means that both you and your insurance company will make payments to your physician.

What can you do to avoid financial problems with your doctor? The best way is to discuss your method of payment when you schedule your appointment. It is appropriate to ask how much you will be charged. If you are not able to make mutually satisfactory arrangements, the doctor in the private setting has the right to refuse to provide you medical care. If he/she agrees to accept assignment, you should pay no monies out of your own pocket. Most of all, know that there are many **good, qualified** physicians in the private setting or in alternate forms of affordable health delivery who are willing to meet your health care needs.

Connie Ford, R.N., M.P.A.



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by Kerry Gillespie,
Exercise Physiologist

What's In It For Me?

It seems like everybody is getting into some sort of exercise program and all for different reasons — some to lose weight, some for big muscles and some for health reasons. No matter what your reason, it would be wise to include aerobics in any type of exercise program you pursue. Besides helping you reach your individual goals you will get the added benefits of the "Training Effect." You may have heard of the training effect, but what does it really mean besides, just feeling better?

The training effect causes a whole metamorphosis of the cardiovascular system (the heart, lungs and blood vessels), as well as other physical and mental changes in your body. The most obvious change occurs in the heart. These changes include a larger volume of blood being pumped each time the heart beats (stroke volume). This is due to an increase in the strength of the heart. With a larger stroke volume, and since the body needs the same amount of blood circulated, whether you are in shape or out of shape, the heart rate (heartbeats per minute) can decrease. This means less work for the heart.

The training effect you get from aerobic training is not limited just to the heart. The lungs play an important role in this system and exercise causes the lungs to diffuse oxygen into the blood stream more efficiently. As long as we are talking about blood, it should be mentioned that the oxygen carrying capacity of the blood is also increased.

The increase in the cardiovascular

system is important, but what about the muscles that do the work? The skeletal muscle as well as the bones, ligaments and tendons all become stronger but, more importantly they increase their ability to use the oxygen delivered to them. Inside the muscle there are little power stations called mitochondria. These power stations break down the food and oxygen into energy, which lets the muscles do work. Exercise will cause the muscle to develop more of these mitochondria per cell, which will allow the muscle to do more work with less effort. It is important to note that weight lifting alone will only develop strength it will not include the endurance of the muscles.

When all these effects are added together, you get increased endurance. Along with increased endurance, a sound program of diet and exercise will aid in decreasing body fat, lower blood cholesterol and triglycerides (blood fats), reduce blood pressure related to lower sodium and reduce stress.

The physical effects are very important, but the training effect also affects several psychological aspects. People who exercise regularly report that they have an improved outlook on life, along with a better self-image. They also feel that this new outlook on life makes self-discipline about eating, exercise as well as activities of everyday life easier.

So what's in it for you? Success! The ability to achieve and maintain a fit, healthy body that only exercise and eating right can give you. The one thing you must keep in mind Art Linkletter put so clearly when he said, "The only time Success comes before work is in the dictionary."

Nurses Recognition Day

A Nurse is an individual who has dedicated a profession to caring for the needs of the physically or mentally ill, convalescent and dying patients and their families. The goal of nursing in this society is to educate and counsel, as well as promote and maintain a high level of wellness. Nurses have learned to endure the hurdles and pitfalls of this health

for all practical purposes. Nurses are the backbone of our health oriented society and without the quality health care they administer, who else would "care."

New Community staff and residents would like to extend their appreciation to all nurses for their endurance, dedication and loyalty to a profession that is ongoing, and always reaching out to lend a helping hand.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL
YOU SPECIAL PEOPLE!!!

Jacqueline Ragin, RN
Director of Nursing
NC Extended Care Facility



Jacqueline Ragin pins an orchid on Mary Gibson, R.N. as ECF Director Connie Ford (rear left) and Barbara Andrews, LPN, watch.

oriented society through a process of identifying the problem or need and planning an approach to facilitate a positive outcome.

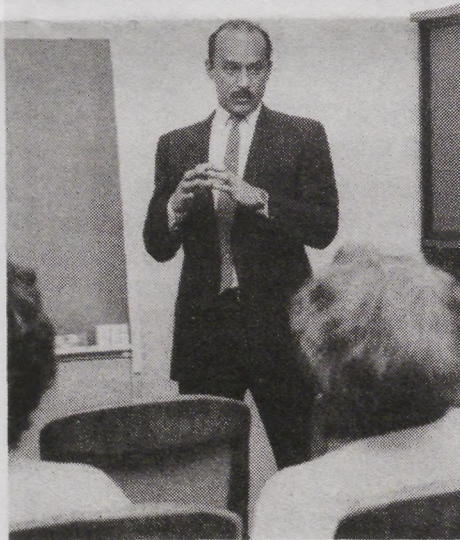
Nurses Recognition Day has been set aside to honor these sensitized persons who are well deserving of acknowledgement and appreciation from those who solely depend on them

"The Doctor Is In" Series

The Issue Of Hypertension

Aloysius Cuyjet, M.D., presented the first of "The Doctor Is In" lecture series Thursday night May 22, 1986. Dr. Cuyjet, who is the Director of Adult Critical Care Medicine at United Hospitals, addressed a group from the New Beginnings Spa and Wellness Center. The topic was **Hypertension and what you can do about it.**

Dr. Cuyjet, discussed the causes of high blood pressure, possible life style changes to bring blood pressure down and the use of drug therapy. A question and answer session followed which gave the audience an opportunity to ask specific questions. The lecture was very well received and proved to be an excellent start to what we hope will be a monthly lecture series.



Dr. Cuyjet emphasizes a point during his lecture on hypertension.

Getting Down To The Bone

The second in "The Doctor Is In" Lecture Series will be presented by Bruce Greene, M.D., of United Hospitals. The topic will be **Osteoporosis**. Dr. Green will be presenting this bone weakening ailment in the light of the latest information available. He will be discussing prevention, treatment and the interaction of the mineral calcium. The session will take place on Wednesday June 25, 1986, at 6 p.m. in the conference center at the St. Joseph's Plaza.

All are welcome, but seating will be limited to a first come basis. This is your chance to hear the latest information on a health problem that concerns all of us.

If you have any questions please call the Spa at 624-7373, for more information.

Commissioner Coleman ...

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community service on the board of a number of organizations such as the Newark Museum, Essex County College and Montclair Community Hospital.

When Mr. Coleman was asked whether there was still a need for low and moderate income housing in Newark he replied with a resounding "absolutely." He pointed out that the State, under Governor Kean, has enjoyed a magnificent renaissance for the past 5 years. "However, if that renaissance is going to truly involve all the people of the state then it has also got to take place in the Urban areas," he went on. He felt that things have been going their way in that oil prices have been dropping, the economy in the State of New Jersey is good and unemployment is down.

Coleman called the moment "a window of opportunity," a time to

"The federal government has traditionally been a partner in non-profit housing assisting the states and municipalities. Right now the role of the federal government is in question depending on what type of tax law Congress passes." The bond market has dried up, with no bonds being issued because of proposed changes in the tax laws. "There have been suggestions out of the Senate Finance Committee that a number of the very negative things that are in the tax laws regarding tax potential will be eliminated for multiple family dwellings so that they would be removed in a sense, from a cap. So that would open the market place back up for us," he went on hopefully.

He felt 1986 would be a "very critical year" in terms of what kinds of federal help will be coming into states and cities. About six weeks ago he went down personally to Washington and lobbied ten Represent-

department." **Thirdly**, they are the advocate for groups which have special needs, such as the aging, women, minorities, funding for legal services, and the special olympics.

His agenda for the future in the area of housing calls for targeting resources within the State in order to provide better coordination of those resources to make a project happen. An example he gave was, as the chairman of HMFA, to use the monies in his Division on Housing in a very coordinated effort in targeted areas, to "make sure our dollars get the most bang for the buck." Another unique ability he has is to use thing such as Safe and Clean Streets money, also under him, to ensure the police and fire protection necessary for the feeling of security which will encourage people to live in some projects in which the State has been involved. Certain beats would be funded to be patrolled etc. State leveraging of money to see desired results will be seen more and more.

One of the critical areas today with housing, the Commissioner feels, is with the aging. He would like to see them as self reliant and independent as possible for as long as possible. He has a strong bias against people who have lived their lives for many years in one neighborhood, having to pick up and move because they can no longer take care of a house and grounds etc. but do not have affordable housing options nearby. He wants to create new types of housing situations or options. They may not necessarily be low cost options but one mentioned, under discussion, was a condo concept where the aging could buy and pay maintenance on a condo which could then be sold back to the developer for resale upon demise with the proceeds going to the estate (which would lose the inflation rate on it but which option would not be as costly as an expensive nursing home.) Shared housing and services were another option being looked at. While able, a person would help others and get credit for such services in a "bank". The time thus committed to another not as self-reliant, would then be given back to you if ever you needed help.

Such innovative programs would

give the aged the opportunity to live in "decent circumstances" but save their money. Again, this would not be low cost and not everyone would qualify.

The final thing the Commissioner feels he must have is a commitment to outreach for the aged. "America has become an informational society," he told us, "and we have got to be able to better communicate with our citizens and let them know what is available to help them." He told of a 77-year-old woman who just missed the deadline for energy assistance for lack of information and lost out on several years of help as a result. He intends to be much stronger in this area.

So provisions for many more options and increased information services are being planned for the aging.

Before leaving to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony at the townhouses, Commissioner Coleman talked about New Community.

"New Community is without question one of the most successful non-profits in the State of New Jersey. The emphasis I like to put is on the word 'Community' because of the variety in things that New Community has been involved in — from housing to senior care, to on the other end of the scale, child care; and the very many social programs, and dealing with disadvantaged people within our society ... in a sense in creating a type of community spirit, and of people coming together, and one of sharing." He spoke of the isolation often found in society and of not wanting to have that happen. "When you can have a child care center right next to a senior citizen's complex, I can't think of anything that's more meaningful," he said, referring to Babyland III and its central location in the NCC complex.

"I think that New Community has done just a tremendous job in rehabilitation here in the Central Ward," he said in conclusion.

With dedicated officials such as Commissioner Coleman paving the way for us, we have hopes of continued service to our people.



Clarion Editor Pat Foley points out St. Joseph Plaza distinctive architecture to visiting Commissioner Leonard S. Coleman, Jr.

establish priorities; priorities which he felt should be to concentrate a lot of the State's resources on rebuilding its infrastructure, particularly in its urban communities.

Returning to the specifics of the housing problem, he blamed the tremendous growth for a negative impact on the price of housing, driving prices up. With a rental housing occupancy rate of 99% in the state, he called it a "renter's marketplace."

Governor Kean has set priorities to have affordable housing in the state. This mandate, to the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) means they are going to have to "be creative and commit ourselves to the redevelopment of housing in our urban areas," he continued. "That is going to take a commitment on the part of the State, a commitment on the part of the cities, as well as it is going to take a commitment on the part of non-profit groups such as those at New Community who really are the driving force behind the development of the housing, with governments acting as an enabler."

We talked about the owner occupied town houses being dedicated that day and whether money would still be available for housing such as this. "A lot will depend on the federal tax laws in terms of changes," he explained.

tatives from the New Jersey perspective as to what that tax law should and should not include. The tax law and housing provisions in it are not, he feels, really beneficial to Northeastern states which have an older type of housing stock. The ability to provide new housing to rehabilitate old would be tremendously crippled by the changes in tax laws. With only a 1% vacancy in rental housing, rehabilitation is important.

Commissioner Coleman divides the work of the DCA into three categories. The **first** involves the local and municipal governments. The DCA is the advocate within state government for municipalities and counties, so that they take up both the long term needs in strategic areas as well as attempting to solve any short term problems. The DCA is going to be very aggressive and vocal in that type of advocacy role, he emphasized. The **second** involves housing where he feels his department is "on the point" since he has 400 people in his Division on Housing, and he also chairs the Housing Mortgage Finance Agency. The Council on Affordable Housing is "in but not of" the DCA. "In a sense, the three triggers for housing in the State, and particularly for affordable housing in the State, are somehow tied in with the

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— Newton Street School Science Fair Held —

The Newton Street School Science Fair was held on two separate dates this year. This unusual arrangement was made so that all that could not have their projects ready for the first date, May 15, 1986, would have a chance to participate later on Thursday, May 22, 1986.

Because of the two dates, we have two sets of winners in each of the three categories, primary, intermediate and upper grades.

May 15, 1986

Participants and Winners

The primary grades' first prize winner was an exhibit on the solar system by **Mrs. Sally Anderson's**

on the water cycle. Second place honors were won by **Mrs. Milos' class**. Their precise and artful drawings on plant and animal life represented untold hours of research.

Our upper graders demonstrated imagination and resourcefulness in their science projects. **Mrs. McMurray's students** put together a project on cameras, demonstrating how optics and magnification work. A model volcano made by **Miss Lassen's class** was selected for second place honors. Keishon Sims, a student from **Miss Esther Wright's class**, won third place honors for her project demonstrating the principles of how



Desi Duren (left) is one of Mrs. Lassen's (right) students who worked on the model volcano project.

Jenious from room 309 put together a model laboratory. She won first place for her project. **Monique Jacobs**, from room 301 came in second demonstrating the flow of electricity with her model of a door bell.

In the intermediate category, **Mrs. Pollocks' students** had several projects. They made butter-jam biscuits, cloth dye and a model telegraph for first place honors. **Mrs. Pelote's** won second place for their projects on chemical change and a scale, **Mrs. Branch's class** won third place for their exhibit on plants.

The primary first prize was won by **Miss Mack's second graders**. Their exhibit on the space shuttle demonstrated quite a lot of

understanding for seven-year-olds. There was a tie for second place honors. Sign language of apes was the project done by **Mrs. Holland's first grade class** and was one winner. Dental care information was the other 2nd place winner entered by **Mrs. Womack's pupils**.

In summary, our students learned and demonstrated the importance of science in their everyday existence. It is our hope that their intellectual appetites were challenged by the science fair and that they will want to learn more about the how and why of today's science. We firmly believe that today's learners will be tomorrow's discoverers.



Flanking their exhibit on the Solar System, Mrs. Anderson's class beams with pride.

students. **Mrs. Noel's** third grade class put together an interesting display on soil for second place.

Third place honors went to the students from **Mrs. Anita Wright's class** for their timely exhibit on our space program.

The intermediate entries were led by **Mrs. Loretta Anderson's class**. They won first place for their display

a phonograph works.

Honorable mentions for the May 15, 1986 Science Fair went to **Robert Graham** for a project on oxygen and combustion and the students in **Miss Roth's class** for their display of a cross section of a model frog.

May 22, 1986

Participants and Winners

In the upper grade category Tina

Newark Public Library Reading Help Now Available For Teens

TEEN READ, a new service initiated to help Teens with reading difficulties, is now in operation at the Newark Public Library, Young Adult Room, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 2:30-5:30 pm. A Teen Read Coordinator is on hand during these times to help those interested in the program.

As one of the components in the Newark Literacy Campaign, Teen Read is made up of four basic services: 1) Evaluation of Teen reading problems, 2) reading guidance, 3) referral to tutorial centers throughout the

city, and 4) basic reading skills materials. This free service is made possible by grants from the Turrell Fund and the Victoria Foundation and is coordinated by Reading Naturally.

Consultants are private and use of this program by Teens is kept strictly confidential. For more information, call Teen Read in the Young Adult Room, 733-7810.

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Friday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Newton Street School Renovation Begins

Through the efforts of the parents, community, staff members of Newton St. School and the Newark Board of Education, construction for the renovation of Newton Street School was begun on May 19th.

Construction will continue through the summer to meet the deadline of one hundred and twenty (120) days for completion of work.

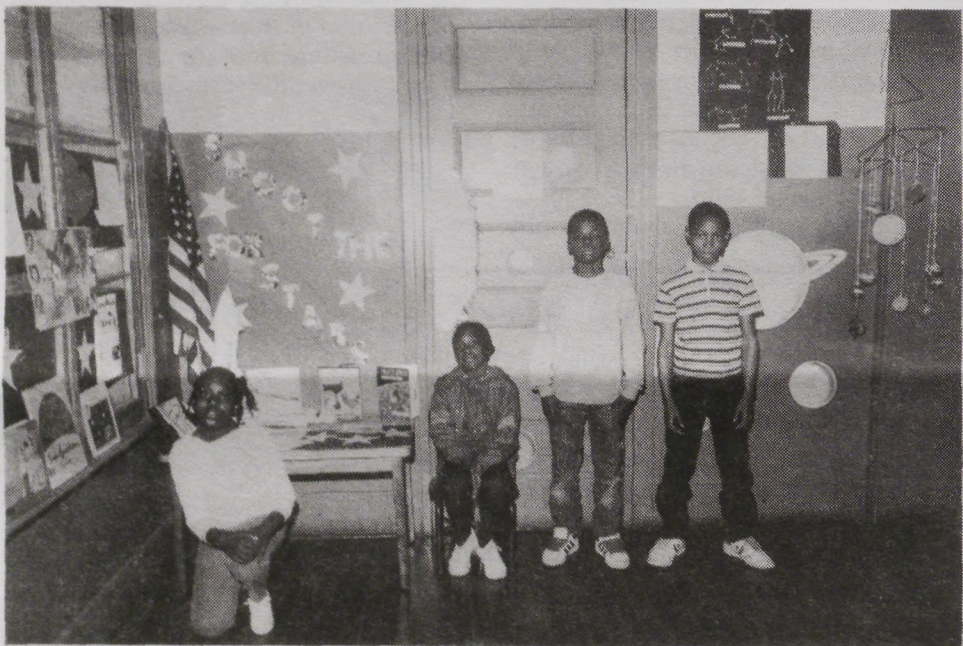
This dream has become a reality because of the joint venture between all.

For your information:

June 20, 1986 at 9:30 a.m. — Awards Ceremonies

June 26, 1986 at 9:30 a.m. — Graduation Ceremonies

June 26, 1986 — 1:00 — School Closes



Future 3rd grade astronauts stand proudly in front of their "Shoot for the Stars" display.

ATTENTION ALL TENANTS

NCC Health Care Center

623-2480

Transportation to NCC Health Care Center
will be provided for your convenience.

ATTENTION!!

To all having children in The New Community Summer Program:
A meeting will take place on June 18, 1986 at 220 Bruce Street, Pavillion promptly at 6:00 P.M.

Sheila Washington

St. Vincent Academy Ready For A Second Century

A Great Team Effort Makes It Happen

On October 13, 1983, Saint Vincent Academy announced what is believed to be the first capital fund drive since the school was established in 1869. A modest \$1,000,000 goal, which has since doubled, was set. Campaign funds were earmarked for three critical needs: a general endowment to secure the school against future financial crisis, a scholarship endowment to insure that deserving students would not be turned away because of their inability to pay tuition, and restoration of the buildings and campus to increase safety, con-



Original gate (above) and wall (at right) show former architecture. Other views are of workers involved in landscaping and construction work.

serve energy and preserve the historic site for future generations. Now, the restoration plan is making visible progress as the front campus boasts a new spring look and the school's open face smiles across at New Community's Saint Joseph Plaza.

The decision to embark on the Century 2 venture was not made lightly, nor was it arrived at without a healthy mix of anxiety and expectation. Many questions had to be answered first; many possibilities explored. Community support was surveyed; potential foundation contributions were estimated; hope for



corporate support was ascertained. Engineering and architectural studies were conducted to assure the wisdom of the renovation and estimates were gathered for the most urgent projects. Patiently, painstakingly, hopefully a mosaic of possibilities grew into a design for the future. As the plan took shape, so did its support.

Many people must be credited with the early Century 2 plan. A team administration was designed for Saint Vincent's in 1978 when the school ended its fiscal year with what appeared to be an insurmountable debt. A team approach, however, proved to be the answer to the school's problems and many hands joined in the effort of turning around the school's finances. The St. Vincent Parent and Guardian Guild made a strong fundraising commitment of \$50,000 annually to help meet expenses and hold tuition increases at bay. Foundations and private individuals came to the forefront with grants, donations and suggestions for courses to pursue. As school finances stabilized, urgent repair needs and long range planning came into focus. A development program was established and a Lay Advisory Board formed to assist the rallying establishment. Under the leadership of Dana Dowd



Williams, Senior Vice President of First Fidelity Bancorporation in Newark, that Board has made a sizeable difference in Century 2's success. One of its members, Greg Arner, A.I.A., assumed the task of architectural planning and design, assisted by a committee which included Charles Peck, Associate Chairman of N.J.I.T.'s Civil Engineering Dept.; Henry Henderson, President of Henderson Industries and Port Authority Commissioner; Everett Jennings, Vice President at Evanbow Construction Company; Dan Dowd of Barreto/Dowd Landscape Architects;

John McLaughlin, Director of External Affairs for New Jersey Bell; Msgr. John Maloney, Pastor of St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral; Thomas P. Giblin, Councilman and President of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local #4 and William R. Buzby, P.E. & L.S., the husband of one of St. Vincent's alumnae, Mary Buzby. Mary is an officer in St. Vincent's Alumnae Association.

From the beginning of the cam-

ing over public sidewalks and threatening to collapse. Landscaping will soon return the school to its former, more open look with flowering trees and a gracefully sloping front lawn. As spring turns the corner into summer, construction will continue into the rear portion of the property where additional sections of the retaining wall will be repaired, an old building will be demolished, the parking facility will be expanded



Lawns dotted with newly planted shrubs and trees present a more open, attractive view to passersby.

paign, teamwork has remained the operative word at St. Vincent's. William F. Hyland of Riker, Danzig, Scherer and Hyland, accepted the role as Chairperson of Century 2. Under his direction, Board members planned and ran two Mercedes-Benz raffles and organized community consciousness raising to draw attention to St. Vincent's very real needs and solid plan to meet them. Teachers and students assist with fundraising for both the Lay Advisory Board activities and the Parent and Guardian Guild activities. Alumnae sponsor two annual fundraisers and conduct

and landscaping will be continued. A new fire escape will also be constructed on the rear of the school building itself.

All of the success to date is the direct result of people recognizing St. Vincent's unique role and quality educational program. The commitment that the Sisters of Charity, lay staff and the entire Saint Vincent family have made to Newark is not a new one. It is one more sign of Newark's new vision for its own people. When Saint Vincent's celebrates the 100th anniversary of its main building in 1988, it will be with the firm conviction that the St. Vincent community will continue to serve the Newark community for another century.

Pat Thornton

Editor's Note: Many people entering St. Joseph Plaza have asked what that "lovely building is across the street," even though they are old Newark residents. The graceful lines of the building are once again visible and softly framed by its new landscaping bringing back the original beauty and charm of the old landmark and causing heads to turn admiringly in its direction. We enjoy seeing her become more beautiful each day and will present our readers with a "finished" picture.



an Annual Fund drive. By working together, all of the team members are keeping St. Vincent's campaign on target.

So far, the Century 2 Restoration Fund has enabled the school to renovate its restrooms, repair its roof, rehaul its heating system, replace all school windows with an energy saving thermal model, upgrade classroom lighting and electrical lines to the student computer center, and re-point the brick on several exterior walls. Currently underway is the most extensive exterior project: the removal of the retaining wall which encircled school property and the restoration of school grounds. An estate fence will replace portions of the wall which was dangerously lean-

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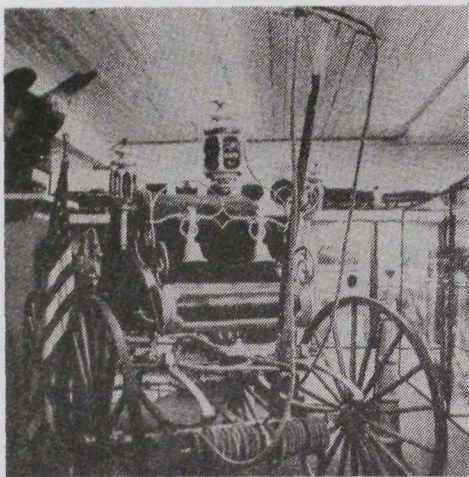
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Newark Museum Events

Fire Muster Parade

On Sunday, June 1, the Newark Fire Department Historical Association will kick off the *19th Annual Antique Fire Apparatus Muster* at 12 noon. Fire companies throughout New Jersey and nearby New York will parade their prized apparatus and antique engines in front of the Museum. The Fire Apparatus Model Builders Association will display models. There will be films, demonstrations, band performances and trophy presentations. The Fire Museum will feature antique apparatus and Newark Fire Department memorabilia. Souvenir mugs, fire hats, and food will be on sale. We march "rain or shine."
Sunday, June 1, 12-4:30 p.m. Free



Newark's oldest surviving fire apparatus, a *Neptune Hose Carriage* built in 1853.

Planetarium

Urban Astronomy

For many people, viewing the sky from the city has been next to impossible. But the situation is not as bad as it may seem. In this star show, the casual sky observer will learn the proper approach to sky viewing under urban conditions.

Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays at 1:00, 2:00 & 3:00 p.m. Saturday 1:00 p.m. matinee for all ages. Admission 75¢

Siesta: Concert Under the Stars

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Performance

Summer Jazz

Jersey Jams, the noonhour jazz series on Thursdays in the Sculpture Garden, begins with an appearance by the renowned vocalist **Etta Jones** on June 19. She will be accompanied by a trio led by saxophonist **Houston Person**. The *Everyman Band* takes over on June 26 with **Marty Fogel** on reeds, **Michael Suchorshy** on drums, **Bruce Yaw** on bass and **David Torn** on guitars and effects. *Jersey Jams on Thursdays, June 19 & 26 at 12:30 p.m. Sculpture Garden (Court if rain). Free.*

Film

Newark Black Film Festival

This year the Newark Black Film Festival kicks off its 12th season on June 25 and continues through five consecutive Wednesdays in July. Screenings will include segments on *Black Leaders/Black Ideas*, the *Evolution of Black Situation Comedies* with film historian **Donal Bogle** and *The Hudlin Brothers Evening* with guest independent filmmakers **Warrington and Reginald Hudlin**. Children's films will be screened on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Look for program and location information in the July/August issue of this newsletter. *Wednesdays, June 25 and July 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30.*

Kidstuff

Summer Workshops

The Junior Museum will hold registration for 1986 summer classes on Thursday, June 26. Educational and entertaining morning classes for kids ages 3 to 18 will be offered from Monday through Thursday, June 30 to July 24. Course offerings include *Painting City Colors*, *Medieval Castles and Dragons* and *Paper Play*, along with a selection of pottery, science and pre-school workshops. *Junior Museum Registration, Thursday, June 26, 10:00 a.m.-noon & 1-4:00 p.m. For information call 733-6583.*

Please Note

Due to The Newark Museum's impending construction, events scheduled after May 15 may be subject to change. Please call (201) 733-6600 to confirm an event before visiting the Museum.

Social Security Seminars

People thinking about retiring should start making serious plans **now!** And those plans should include Social Security.

How should I include Social Security benefits in with my financial planning?

For the answers to these questions and more...Please join us for two (2) free Social Security Seminars on two (2) consecutive Mondays: June 2, 1986 and June 9, 1986 at 7:00 P.M. at the Bethany Baptist Church located at 275 W. Market Street, Newark, N.J.

A team of experts will provide valuable information about Social Security Retirement, Survivors, Disability and Medicare benefits and the entire SSI program.

Estimate And Applications Available

If you are age 60 and over, Social Security will provide you with a free estimate of your monthly benefit amount. However, you must submit your name and Social Security number.

Applications will be completed at the site.

For additional information and reservations, please call (201) 824-6061 between 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. weekdays.

Remember, it's free and all are welcomed.

Patrick Moore

Hints For Shopping, Cooking and Enjoying Meals

Eating provides pleasure and nourishment. People enjoy the taste, smell, color, and texture of foods. Mealtimes also provide an opportunity to relax and talk with others. Even more important, eating well each day helps you stay active and healthy.

Some older people (especially men who live alone) lose interest in eating because they have problems buying and preparing food. A poor diet can result in lack of energy, malnutrition, and bad health.

By developing a few simple habits, grocery shopping, cooking, and mealtime can be easier and more enjoyable.

Plan Ahead

Plan meals in advance and note the ingredients you will need. Before shopping, also check your supply of staples such as flour, sugar, rice and cereal. Keep some canned or frozen fish, meat, fruits, vegetables, dinners and soups on hand for days when you don't feel like cooking or can't go out. Bread freezes well. Powdered nonfat milk or canned evaporated milk also can be stored easily.

When planning meals, keep in mind that healthful diets contain a wide variety of foods. Meals should include fresh fruits and vegetables; whole grain or enriched breads and cereals, rice, and pasta; fish, poultry, lean meats, beans, and nuts; and milk, cheese, and other dairy products. Avoid eating too many foods that are high in fat, salt, and sugar.

The grocery list should include both fresh and processed foods. Buy enough fresh fruits and vegetables to

last only a few days. They will lose their freshness and some nutrients if stored too long. Meats will stay fresh in the refrigerator for varying amounts of time. Ground beef, stew beef, poultry, and fish can be kept safely for only 1 or 2 days and should be frozen if kept longer. Roasts, chops, and steaks can be refrigerated 3 to 5 days before you use them.

Here are some other hints:

- Decide which size item is best for you. A large can or package may be cheaper per unit, but it is not a bargain if most of the contents are thrown away.

- Consider sharing large packages with a friend.

- Frozen vegetables purchased in bags are economical because you can use small amounts at a time.

- If an item at the meat or fresh produce counter is too large, ask an employee to repackage it.

- Read the content labels on packaged and canned foods. The item that is present in the largest amount is listed first, and the ones that follow are present in decreasing amounts. The amount of calories, protein, carbohydrate, fat, and sodium per serving also may be listed.

- Check packages for freshness dates.

How to Save Money

Unit pricing is useful because it lets you know which brand or package size costs less. Plain (generic) or store brands are usually cheaper than name brands.

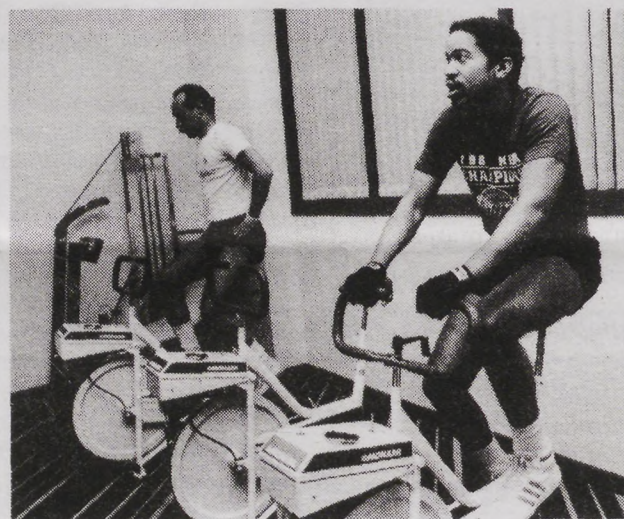
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Security Corner

Youths Visit West Point

On Saturday, May 3, 1986, eleven members of the NCC Security Youth Program journeyed to the West Point Military Academy at West Point, New York. They were accompanied by their advisors: security officers Wayne Walker, William Bass, and Amin Muhammad, and NCC Systems Manager Jim Rohrman.

Many of the youths, when told of the trip were so enthused over the idea of going to West Point, they wanted to do their share in helping with expenses. They came up with the idea of several car washes (pictured in the May edition of the Clarion on page eight).

The purpose of the trip, one of many planned for the future, was to help in motivating the youngsters to become

it was also very interesting to see the number of black men marching with respect and dignity. It makes me feel proud to be me! It also teaches me that I can be whatever I want to be if I strive for the best.

West Point, Country, Honor, Duty, that is the motto at the Academy. A motto for all people to respect.

Scott Brown

In Scott's essay, he mentions the Buffalo Soldiers. The Buffalo Soldiers were members of the all black 12th Cavalry that gained fame on the western frontiers as one of the nation's best Indian fighters. They also gained recognition during the Spanish-American War when they stormed San Juan Hill, rescuing the then Colonel Teddy Roosevelt and his men. Some of the soldiers received the Congressional Medal of Honor for



Pausing in their tour of West Point in front of a huge plane, members of the NCC Security Youth Program have their photo taken.

better achievers in the classroom and in life by exposing them to the West Point scene. There they would see other members of their race, many of whom came from similar backgrounds, standing tall with classmates from around the nation. They would see that these men and women did not let the prevailing conditions become stumbling blocks or a hindrance in pursuing their goals of achieving a good education at the Academy.

In order to reinforce the impressions gained it was decided by the advisors that each member who went on the trip, would write an essay about it. As an incentive for writing, the best essay would be published in the Clarion. The winning essay was submitted by Scott Brown, age 15, a 10th grader at Central High School. The information found in Scott's essay best described the general feeling and emotions of his fellow mates:

Dear Director:

On my way to West Point, I was looking forward to spending a miserable day at the Military Academy. As it turned out I was wrong. West Point is a very educational and historical place. Different famous people like McArthur, the 12th Cavalry Buffalo Soldiers, General Eisenhower and many other important men stayed at West Point.

West Point also has a beautiful church with 8,000 organ pipes, some as big as seven feet and some as small as a pencil. The church also has stained glass windows that are worth over \$800 each.

The parade we watched had a marvelous outlook on the cadets standing and marching proud, and

their actions.

The name Buffalo Soldier was dubbed by the Indians because the soldiers wore buffalo skins to keep warm during the extremely cold nights as they patrolled the wastelands of the undeveloped wild west.

Buffalo Soldier Field at West Point is named in honor of the 12th Cavalry who were stationed there for the purpose of teaching the cadets how to ride. The practice was abandoned sometime after World War II when the horse cavalry was discontinued by the U.S. Army. Cavalry units are now mechanized.

Before leaving West Point, the group received compliments on their behavior and was described by one of the tour guides as the best behaved group he had encountered.

Martin Luther King Parade

The NCC Color Guard represented the Corporation at the 19th annual Martin Luther King Parade on Fifth Avenue in New York City on Sunday, May 18th 1986, where they were very enthusiastically received by the huge crowd all along the parade route.

When they approached the reviewing stand they were resoundingly received when the Corporation's name was announced. Heard clearly among the applause was "Yea Newark."

Members of the Color Guard were led by Sgt. John Jackson and included Sgt. Morris Fleming, and security officers Champ Blackwell and Samuel Brooks. Also participating in the parade were Corporal Sherrie Eure and security officer William De Jesus, who followed in a NCC Blazer.

2nd Annual Awards Ceremonies

On Monday, May 5, 1986, NCC Security held its second annual awards ceremonies. The brief, but extremely impressive ceremonies started at 2:00 P.M., at the Extended Health Care Facility, 266 South Orange Avenue.

Lt. John Reid of the Newark Police Department officially opened the ceremonies by giving the invocation. Mr. Byron Jones, director of activities at NCC Extended Care Facility sang the **National Anthem** and **Lift Every Voice and Sing**. He was accompanied by Curtis Watkins, Cultural Director for NCC.

Mr. Arthur Wilson, President of the NCC Board of Directors, was the Master of Ceremonies. After welcoming the many friends and relatives of the awardees, who along with NCC employees filled the room, Mr. Wilson introduced the many public officials and dignitaries. Among the many dignitaries present were: Newark Police Director Charles Knox, Central Ward Councilman George Branch; Chief of Police Charles M. Zizza; and Chief of Detectives for Essex County, Thomas Critchley.

After the introduction of the dignitaries, Mr. Wilson, introduced and turned the program over to Director of Security James E. DuBose, who assisted by the Associate Director, Otis Rhynes, awarded twenty-three medals and certificates to the following security officers in six different categories: **Medal of Honor:** Security Officer Michael Sykes. **Meritorious Service:** Sgt. Robert Anabui (who received two in this category) and security officers: George Avery; George Harris; Edward Reed; Samuel Brooks; Marion Haynes; Marshall Williams (also

received two). **Honorable Service:** Sgt. Robert Anabui (again received two); Sgt. Morris Fleming; Sgt. John Jackson; Corporals Sherrie Eure and Sheila White; and security officers: Charles Davis; George Harris; Amin Muhammad; Michael Sykes (received two); Marvin Eure; Marion Haynes; Patricia Sherrod and Marshall Williams (received three). **Good Conduct Medals** went to: Wilson De Jesus; Champ Blackwell; Arlene Crowder; Gilbert Boyce; Roy Little and Bernard Russell. **Special Awards** for having five years of service were awarded to: Miles Littlejohn and James Sullivan. Director DuBose presented the **Director's Award** to Mr. Jim Rohrman a NCC administrative employee for his unselfish support of the NCC Security Youth Program.

Keynote speaker for the affair was Police Director Knox. Director Knox congratulated and praised the officers for performing above and beyond the call of duty. He referred to the fact that NCC Security was considered to be one of the best in the State.

As a complete surprise, Sgt. William Cameron, president of the Sentinels turned the tables and presented a plaque to Director DuBose. The Sentinels is a nonprofit benevolent association, comprised of NCC Security Guards.

Monsignor Linder of Newark's St. Rose of Lima Church, before giving the benediction, also commended the recipients and the Sentinels for being a supportive arm of the security division and for their work on and off duty.

A reception followed the ceremonies, with a cornucopia befitting the occasion. Compliments to the Chef! Mrs. Rosetta Reed-Rembert, Director of Food Services at the Extended Care Facility.



Lining up to receive their awards, members of NCC's Security Department wait for their names to be called.



Top award winners (L-R) Michael Sykes, Marshall S. Williams, and Jim Rohrman smile their pleasure as Security Director Jim Dubose stands proudly by.

At Your (Social) Service

by the Staff of NCC Social Services Department

Friends Indeed

To some people who give or share with those who are less fortunate, one can never actually repay the debt. Yet there are those who give or share because they truly enjoy doing so. These individuals give willingly without the slightest expectations of praise or gratitude.

Such is the case with Pat Torracco, parishioner of Blessed Sacrament Church, in Franklin Lakes. She has truly been a friend of New Community for the past three years. Pat lives in an area where there is less poverty or need, by comparison to the inner-city. As a result her priest, Father Carl Hinrichsen suggested his parishioners embrace a mission of being charitable and giving. Pat accepted that charge and since has been doing her best to serve those who are in need. She reaches out to her neighbors, parishioners and others for donations.

During the past three years she has personally transported tons of food and clothing to NCC Social Services



The Latest From Oscar

for needy residents. While she is small in stature, she can lift a large carton or a bundle of clothing or food as good as any man.

At Christmas she always does special things — hardship cases are asked to submit the sizes of their entire family. She then finds people that will shop for Christmas gifts for those families. Without people like her many persons would be without any form of Christmas cheer.

God Bless Pat, Father Carl and all of the people of Franklin Lakes for it is people like them that make this world a better place.

Virginia Scott



Pat Torracco (second from right) gets assistance from members of NCC's Social Service Department in unloading bags of clothing and other items from her van.

Festival '86 Is Here

Magicians, Clowns, Dancers, Fried Fish, Hot Dogs, Sodas, Cotton Candy and more!

Sounds like fun to me! Come on out and join our New Community family of love as we enjoy our fifth year of Festival Celebrations. We've made a pact that each year will be better than the year before, and believe me this year will surpass the last.

Remember to join us for our delicious Fish Fry on Friday, June 6th at 180 So. Orange Ave. starting at 5:30 P.M. Your taste buds are in for a mouth watering treat. Also on Friday there will be two performances of the Banks & Co. Inc. live play "Cry Of The People." Show times are 3:30 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. at Newton Street School. There is a \$3.00 general admission fee and \$2.00 fee for children.

Stay with us and come out Saturday at noon for the N.C.C. Parade around the New Community complexes in the South Orange Ave. area.

The parade will start the activities of the day which have something for everyone — Zulu dancers and drummers, Sandorse the Magician, basket-

Breakfast On Us

Sometimes you want to thank someone for showing you a kindness but you want to do something different. What do you do? Especially when you are saying it to about 25 people.

How about breakfast in bed? Well that's kind of hard considering they all live on different floors and there's only 2 cooks involved. But, a breakfast is a splendid idea and that was exactly what Security Officer Arlene Crowder and Ms. Joyce Holmes both at 545 Manor Senior decided to do.

There was a small group of people who had always volunteered or helped out one or both of us in some manner and we decided to say thank you by serving "Breakfast On Us." On Saturday May 17th, "Le Menu" consisted of their choice of grits, bacon, sausage, eggs (any style), rolls, orange juice and coffee, tea or milk.

Those invited were surprised and pleased to have a delicious homecooked breakfast, made-to-order.

It goes to show, kindness is always repaid by kindness.

Again, thank you to all those who "give and do not count the cost." ball games, and lots of great food to eat.

It's Show Time

"Should I wear red tights or white ones?" "Oh no, someone in the audience is wearing the dress I'm modeling!"

These were just a few of the comments that could be heard in the dressing rooms at the N.C.C. Youth Council's Fashion & Talent Show. A group of 20 young people from New Community, ranging in ages from 7 to 14, spent many weeks of walking, crying and indecision all in the effort to produce a show for their families

ed with themselves and their accomplishments.

On April 27, 1986, a gorgeous Sunday afternoon, in the community room of the New Community Extended Care Facility, it was time to put their best foot forward. "It's Show Time!" Before a nearly full house the show was about to go on.

The show was a success and everyone's hard work had indeed paid off. The models were undaunted by any past fears and walked their best.



Young fashion models hold a final pose before following their leader down the "runway."

and friends.

Ms. Sharon Carter, a resident of New Community, volunteered her time and expertise as a seasoned model to help transform the group of cloddish, gum chewing youngsters into junior elites worthy of the title "model." Ms. Deidre Bibbs, another resident, was instrumental in helping to shape up the youngsters and keep order in the dressing rooms. For last minute prompting and walking confidence Ms. Tanya Hunter, another seasoned model from the community gave her assistance and encouragement.

The idea for a fashion and talent show came from the young people and their expression of a desire to show others what they could do. It was a little rough at first; many felt they'd never get it right; some dropped out along the way. Those who persevered saw the results and were quite pleas-

ed with themselves and their accomplishments. For entertainment the "N.C.C. Rappers," a group of young men who had recently performed for the Division Youth and Family Service, did a special rap number which they had written concerning child abuse. It was truly a show of talent. The same talent was also represented by six young ladies known as "Kids Inc." who performed a synchronized dance number to one of today's popular tunes.

At the conclusion of the show an appetizing brunch, which was prepared by the Extended Care Facility cooks, was served.

Everyone who attended fully enjoyed themselves and said what better way to spend a Sunday afternoon and greet the Spring season.

Look for another show coming in the fall — time and location to be announced.

Joyce Holmes



The Festival Committee meets to finalize plans. (L-R): Sr. Veronica Kaiser, Candy Dortch, Sheila Washington, Gloria Newsome, Gloria Chambers, Sr. Anastasia Hearne, Joyce Holmes, Sr. Hortensia Fernandez with Oscar, and Eladio Negron.

Roseville's Good Neighbors

The Good Neighbor Club celebrated their 4th anniversary on May 16th, 1986.

It was a joyous occasion. We honored the members who are 80 years or older. They were given gifts and our thanks for their participation in the Club. Our oldest member,

Herbert Williams, who is also the oldest resident of Roseville, is 91. Our Special guests were Bishop Wiggins and the members of the Temple of Peace Singers.

Refreshments were served.

Mary Clements-Pres.

Louise Nicklow-Sec.



Exhibiting an enormous cake in honor of the occasion, Good Neighbors Club President Mary Clements (in striped dress) is surrounded by friends and fellow members.

NC Commons Seniors

The "140" Club had their installation of officers sworn in by the Chaplain. President is Viola Walker; Vice President, Marion Simpson; Secretary, Connie Wise; Corresponding Secretary, Ruby Dawson; Treasurer, Harriet Lewis; Financial Secretary, Justino Lugo; Sgt. at Arms, Ralph Simpson; Sgt. at Arms, Richard Barfield; Chaplain, Beatrice Harris.

Julia James, President of Arts & Crafts, announces that there will be a cake and crafts sale in the Community Room on June 14, 1986. All are welcome!

The Gospel Chorus celebrated their 4th anniversary Friday, May 23, 1986, announced Rose Rivers, President, and Zera Brown, founder.

Our Community Room always stays lovely with the beautiful decorations done by Zephr Johnson, Ruby Dawson, and Viola Walker.

Hats off to Viola Walker & committee for the prizes for the oldest and youngest mother for Mother's Day. Oldest mothers: Louvenia Willis and Lawrence Hooks won rocking chair plants. Youngest mother: Lillian Godfrey won a wishing well plant.

Connie Wise



The newly-elected officers of the "140" Club pose for their official portrait.

Thousands Line Up To Fight Hunger and Homelessness

Sunday, May 25, will go down in history. It was not only the mid-point of the three day Memorial weekend, but a day when not only New Jerseyans but residents of other states joined hands to form a human chain from coast to coast.

This project, **Hands Across America** (HAA) was to raise funds for hungry and homeless Americans. Participants paid \$10, \$25, or \$35 for a place in line. The national organizer Ken Krager hoped to raise \$50 million for the nation's needy. The project was sponsored by the USA for Africa Foundation, of which Ken

Krager is president.

"It was personally a very gratifying feeling to know that for that 15 minutes a country was united for one cause."

NCC, St. Rose School and people from Newark and New Jersey should be proud of their part. **Hands Across America** was our opportunity to take a stand to be a part of something special and prove that people can make a difference by working together.

Thank you all that participated.

Eladio Negron
Youth Coordinator

Brown Baggers Busy

Editors Note: The Brown Bag Club is an arm of the Community Food Bank of N.J. which makes available food products at a nominal fee to supplement the food budget for seniors on a fixed income. Besides food it provides members an opportunity to participate in all aspects and decisions regarding it. It also allows them an opportunity to help others and to meet other seniors as they assist shut-in members by delivering bags to their homes. This food is not intended to provide the senior's primary source of food.

Thank You Site Leaders

It takes many people to make the Brown Bag Club work, from the New Community Maintenance Staff members who deliver the food, to the Floor Captains who make sure that each member gets his or her bag.

Overseeing all this activity are the Site Chairwomen, who make sure that the whole Brown Bag Day runs smoothly. Without them, there would be no Club at all.

At the New Community Associates building, Mrs. Ellen Watson and Mrs. Doris Krenshaw (better known as "Lady D.") oversee the biggest site, which has 210 members.

One of the original clubs is at New Community Roseville, where Mrs. Rosalie Trogdan works hard every month to keep her club members happy.

Mrs. Wyline Thomas, of the New Community Manor building, is another Chairwoman who has been working diligently since last October to make each Brown Bag Day a successful one.

Like all the Brown Bag leaders, working for the Club is only one of the many things that Mrs. Grace Chambers, who leads the New Community Douglas site, does for others in her building. Mrs. Chambers also runs the building's store and is involved in Rutgers Urban Gardens Program.

When the New Community Commons seniors became Club members in December, Chairwoman Mrs. Marion Simpson quickly organized an efficient and hardworking group of volunteers who run a successful Brown Bag Day every month.

Some of the most recent additions to the Club are the New Community Gardens seniors, led by Mrs. Mary Bell. Like all Club leaders, Mrs. Bell patiently deals with any problems that arise.

The "Families" site at 225 Hunderdon Street just joined the club in May. Mrs. Pat Murphy and Mrs. Delores Collier are the leaders of the "Six Busy Bees" who have worked together to get this new site organized.

This month marks the first distribution for the 72 Hayes Street Brown Bag Club, where Mrs. Bertha Brown is the Chairwoman. Welcome Mrs. Brown, and all the new members!

Because of these hardworking Chairwomen and the many Floor Captains and other volunteers who help them, the Brown Club is a success, CONGRATULATIONS!!!

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Something To Be Proud Of

In spite of her own problems of being an unemployed single parent of two young children, Khalid age 6 and Rahim age 9, Deborah Nash a NCC resident was concerned enough to get involved in a walkathon that was given on behalf of the March of Dimes. It was sponsored by WNJR Radio Station and others, at Kean College in Union New Jersey.

She joined hundreds of other participants in a major effort to fight birth defects by raising funds. Each participant's goal was to get as many sponsors as possible and to walk as far as they could. A rate of twenty-five cents per mile walked, was donated.

Ms. Nash walked 18 miles.

Money raised was contributed to the March of Dimes.

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Dr. Yamba To Speak At St. Rose Commencement

Dr. A. Zachary Yamba, President of Essex County College, will be the guest speaker at the commencement exercises at St. Rose of Lima School, Sunday, June 15 at the 10:30 a.m. mass. Some twenty-four graduates



A. Zachary Yamba, Ed.D

(13 boys and 11 girls) will receive their diplomas in a religious and festive ceremony with Reverend Monsignor William J. Linder officiating.

Dr. Yamba, a man who himself has devoted much time and talent to community service, is a member of St. Rose of Lima School Board of Education. He receives commendation for providing the Essex County College facility as well as its staff toward resolving the site location problem for the Newark Board of Education Chapter I Basic Skills Program to Non-Public Schools for the school year 1986-1987. It is his belief that the County College should be a community college opened to as many as possible, who are in pursuit of improving the quality of their lives.

Arthur L. Wilson
Principal

St. Rose School Fundraiser Is Huge Success

An energetic, bubbling crowd of over 800 supporters of St. Rose of Lima School in Newark celebrated Spring Festival Evening with a Chinese Auction recently at Roselle Catholic High School in Roselle, New Jersey.

For some, the evening has become an eagerly awaited time to renew old friendships while having a marvelous time, as people from both urban and suburban towns gather to help St. Rose with its work as a desperately needed alternative school for Newark children with this fundraiser.

The help is needed for St. Rose receives no funding from any sources other than those it develops itself — such as this gathering.

Approximately \$50,000 was made this year for the school general operating fund by the affair. To make the evening interesting over \$20,000 in prizes were donated for various drawings and raffles.

The evening features a delicious buffet, live music and good fellowship for all those who attend.

Working hard as usual on this year's event were groups such as the K of C in Union, Babyland and people from New Community.

For four (4) people in particular the night was even more exciting, since they won the top four prizes of the night.

The top prize winners were:
Naida Cedento — Video Center



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Mishoe — Stereo Center
Mary Hall — \$300 Parthmark Gift Certificate

Maria Rodriguez — Mink Jacket
Our congratulations to the winners, and our deepest thanks to all who helped make the evening such a resounding success!



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1. Balloons lend a festive air to the exuberant overflow crowd. 2. Maria Rodriguez models her newly won mink jacket. 3. A holiday mood and great food make for a party atmosphere. 4. Georgia Ransome, Ruth Rohrman, and Mary Smith (L-R) can't decide into which prize buckets to deposit their ticket stubs. 5. Father Ed Swierzbinski announces the prize winners.

Do What You Can

The world is in a desperate need of an awakening in which the minds and spirits of man may be renewed by fresh visions of life's spiritual meanings and obligations, so as to save mankind from the road down towards which he seems to be blindly and fatalistically stumbling today. This quest is an adventure and a pilgrimage in the process of which, people could rediscover themselves, their fellowman, and the world, in wider perspective. We must endeavor to nourish a spirit which lifts us above ethnicity; sectarianism; and partisanship and seek to envisage the spiritual community of man. The dark and ugly impulses, which all of us know, in some measure lose their power over us as we become increasingly concerned with the fulfillment of that inward light and beauty which is also part of being.

There is a tragic paradox in the fact that while architects are developing electronic houses there flourishes more homeless; and while the world's greatest defense capability is being developed more people live in fear — no home secure, and no civilian safe. Terrible outbreaks of cruelty, persecution, and inhumanity come from individuals and from whole societies which have lost or are losing their spiritual moorings. We must do what we can to find new and ethical solutions to the vast problems which we face. Our community is a complex and many sided manifestation of

human needs, desires, fears, and hopes — an indictment of our generation; yet, we can still develop a faith that can stand up in such a world as we have today; face its dark realities as did Job; and work diligently to bring about the realization of the goals of brotherhood and love. We can use all our powers of body and mind, feeling and desire, hope and purpose, to live ourselves — and influence our fellowman to live — in unity with God. We can make a contribution to this task, with self-confidence and the will to do it, no matter how small that effort may be. Perhaps you may recall the story of the big engine that broke down at the foot of a steep grade, and there was only a little engine to take on the difficult task of hauling the train over the steep grade. But the little engine was not daunted even though everybody doubted its ability because of its small size. The little engine was coupled to the train, and it started off puffing to itself: "I think I can, I think I can, I think I can," and sure enough, the big train began to move, and the little engine that thought it could, pulled it triumphantly over the grade.

Maybe we can't really solve all of these problems, but we can try; we can start. That's all that is asked of us. That is all that is asked of you. Do what you can.

Lewis Graves
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